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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :
NAOMASA SHIRAISHI : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION
SERIAL NO: 09/926,149 :
FILED: SEPTEMBER 12, 2001 :
FOR: EXPOSURE APPARATUS AND :
EXPOSURE METHOD, AND DEVICE
MANUFACTURING METHOD

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to a first examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified
application as follows:

IN THE TITLE

Please delete the title and replace with the following title:

EXPOSURE DEVICE, EXPOSURE METHOD, AND DEVICE
MANUFACTURING METHOD

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the below-noted claims to read as follows:¹

¹ A marked-up copy of the amendments is attached hereto.